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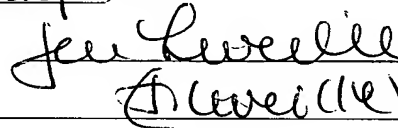
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**STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits in the above-identified case.

No fee or certification is required.

PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08). The order of

presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed Japanese Office Action dated September 25, 2007, from Japanese Application No. JP2002-242751.

The Applicant would also like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

| <u>Serial No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Inventor(s)</u> | <u>Attorney Docket No.</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 10/519,887 | December 30, 2004 | Yuichi Tokita et al. | S1459.70056US00 |
| 10/525,496 | November 1, 2005 | Tsutomu Imoto et al. | S1459.70059US00 |
| 10/540,629 | June 23, 2005 | Yuichi Tokita et al. | S1459.70075US00 |
| 7222351 | April 2, 2004 | Hideaki Tsutsumi et al. | S1459.70087US00 |
| 10/822,556 | April 12, 2004 | Masashi Enomoto et al. | S1459.70088US00 |
| 7159229 | April 7, 2004 | Naoki Inoue et al. | S1459.70089US00 |
| 7313800 | April 15, 2004 | Akihisa Inatani et al. | S1459.70090US00 |

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08) be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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